



Minutes Committee for Youth, Families and Community December 15, 2008

Minutes of the Committee for Youth, Families and Community held on December 15, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library Tempe Connections Program Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS Present:

Sandra McNally, EMPACT—SPC
Lynette Stonefeld, Tempe/Kyrene Communities In Schools
Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District
Trish Miller, Community Bridges

MEMBERS Absent:

Abraham Gonzalez, Chicanos Por La Causa
Ginae Klasek, Peer Solutions
Barb Fries, Tempe Elementary School District
Samantha Heinrich, Kyrene School District
Vic Cordts, Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley
Mark Werschting, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Rebecca Bond, Tempe Connections
Joe Spracale, Tempe Impact Education Foundation

City Staff Present:

Kim Bauman, Community Services – Social Services
Kathy Berzins, Community Services - Social Services
Nancy Rodriguez, Tempe Municipal Court
Brandon Banks, Tempe Police Department

Guests Present:

Nori Cannell, Tempe Union High School District (attending for member Randy Lazar)
Rindy Corn, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department
Elena Hernandez, Maricopa County Juvenile Probation Department

Meeting convened at 9:34 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Kathy Berzins called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 2: Minutes from November 17, 2008 Meeting

The minutes from November 17, 2008 were reviewed.

MOTION: Trish Miller motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Sandra McNally seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE CONSENSUS: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 3 – Tempe Union High School District Business Education Survey

Nori Cannell, Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD) requested members complete a community questionnaire that will assist the district in determining the future of business education in the district. Members completed the survey. Nancy Rodriguez suggested parents of 8th grade students who will be attending TUHSD schools also be given the survey.

Agenda Item 4– Data Sharing

- 1) **Brandon Banks, Tempe Police Department** provided City of Tempe drug related arrests statistics for calendar years 2005 through 2007. During 2005-06 there was a significant decrease in juvenile drug related arrests and the majority of juvenile drug related arrests are currently for marijuana.
- 2) **Brandon Banks** also reported that the police department in partnership with the school district recently had the narcotics canine on McClintock's campus. The purpose of having the dog on campus was to reinforce to students that every resource that does not violate their civil rights will be used to reinforce that the school is a drug free zone. No contraband was found by the dog.

Agenda Item 5 – Communities for Kids Update

Lynette Stonefeld, Communities in Schools reported each First Things First regional council partnership will be presenting their plan in the near future on how to spend the \$5 million per year they will receive for early childhood education initiatives. Tempe, Ahwatukee, Chandler and Guadalupe are the Maricopa Central regional partnership. Once the plan is released RFP's will issued and agencies and services can apply to provide services.

Agenda Item 6 – Magellan Prevention Grant Update

- 1) **Lynette Stonefeld** reported that the 2nd community planning meeting was held on November 4th. Twenty-eight community members attended and will be the group that assists in determining future prevention efforts in Tempe. During the November meeting members explored what kinds of resources are already available in Tempe.
- 2) **Kim Bauman, City of Tempe** reported that the ALL STARS and Too Good For Drugs programs have completed their fall series and will also provide the program during the winter/spring. Future funding of these programs will be determined by the community planning process.

Agenda Item 7 – Other Grant and Program Updates

- 1) **Randy Lazar, Tempe Union High School District** reported the district received its Arizona Department of Education Title IV grant award. The grant funds 10 hour per week counselors on each of the high school campuses to provide support services to students referred for alcohol and drug related offenses.
- 2) **Randy Lazar and Lynette Stonefeld** reported the district has received an AT&T grant to support its Summer Bridge program. This program assists Title I eligible incoming freshman at Tempe High School and Marcos de Niza High School to become acclimated to the high school setting.

- 3) **Trish Miller, Community Bridges** reported the SACA grant they received from Tempe to provide life skills groups to 5th and 6th grade students at Children's First Academy has benefited these students. They are now providing some programming with 2nd and 3rd grade students who are also in need of services.
- 4) **Kim Bauman** reported that the next Empowering Teens and Parents Program, funded under the Juvenile Accountability Grant, will begin recruitment in January. In addition to seeking referrals from the juvenile probation department, information will be forwarded to the school resource officers who may have contact with parents and adolescents interested in utilizing the program.

Agenda Item 8 – Announcements

There were no announcements

Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items

- Melissa Zeller, Child Protective Services
- Please contact Tim Cox for future program presentations.
- Please contact Kim Bauman for future agenda items.

The committee's next meeting will be on **January 26, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Prepared by: Kim Bauman



Kathy Berzins, Chair